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EXAMINATION OF COMMUNICATION STRATEGIES

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The problem of the investigation is if level of Spanish-speaking students affects the types of communication strategies used in order to learn a second language. The study will include students from introductory and intermediate Spanish classes. I will provide a questionnaire for the students to discover their interest in the investigation. If they have an interest, the learners will be divided in two level based pairs in order to perform a task based on Frank Brooks' "jigsaw task." In order to record conversations, a tape recorder will be necessary. I will transcribe the conversations of the two groups and examine the different communication strategies used in the conversations. It's my goal to determine different communication strategies used in different levels of students.